

MARINE SAFETY (AMENDMENT NO. 2) BILL 2013

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to clarify and correct the principal Act, the *Marine Safety Act 2013*.

When the principal Act was presented for assent, it contained two corrections that had been made after its passage through the Legislative Assembly. These corrections, while obvious, were beyond the level of correction left to the discretion of the Speaker. Subsequently the needed corrections were noted within the Legal Services Unit but not that they had been corrected already in the Bill to which assent had been given. As a result of this, the Marine Safety (Amendment) Bill was proposed and passed, but before it could be presented for assent, it was found that the corrections were already made – albeit without proper authorisation.

It being noted that one of the corrections made should be further amended, the present Bill is proposed.

This Bill does 3 things–

1. It ratifies the principal Act in all respects, thereby giving full effect to the amendments to the Act at the time of its assent.
2. It repeals the changes made by the *Marine Safety (Amendment)Bill 2013* which will be presented for assent at the same time but before the present Bill (the process avoids having that Bill left in limbo having been passed but never being presented for assent).
3. It adds to subsection 52(c), following the correction made previously, the words “prescribed by regulation” to ensure that only licences of another country approved by regulation may be exempt from the requirement to hold a boat driving licence.

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